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5 May 2003

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SUBJECT: Minutes of the Special Food Risk Evaluation Committee (FREC), 14 April 2003

1. We enclose the minutes of the Special Food Risk Evaluation Committee (FREC) meeting of 14 April 2003 for your information and records.
2. Our point of contact is Mr. Robert Kilburn, DOD Approved Sources Division, DSN 471-6547.

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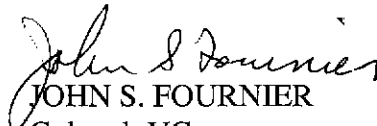
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MEMORANDUM FOR Lieutenant Colonel Leslie G. Huck, Chairman, Food Risk Evaluation Committee, U.S. Army Veterinary Command, 2050 Worth Road, Suite 5, Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Food Risk Evaluation Committee Meeting, 14 April 2003.

The minutes of the Food Risk Evaluation Committee meeting of 14 April 2003 are approved as written.

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JOHN S. FOURNIER
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MEMORANDUM FOR Chief, Veterinary Corps, HQDA DODVSA-ZA, 5109 Leesburg Pike,
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2003

1. We enclose the minutes of the special Food Risk Evaluation Committee (FREC) meeting of
14 April 2003 for your approval.
2. Our point of contact is Mr. Robert Kilburn, FREC Coordinator, DSN 471-6547.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Leslie G. Huck".

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LESLIE G. HUCK
LTC(P), VC
Chairman, Food Risk Evaluation Committee

MINUTES OF THE FOOD RISK EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEETING

1. In accordance with Letter of Instruction (LOI), HQDOD (DODVSA), subject: Food Risk Evaluation Committee (FREC), and E-mail, HQ U.S. Army Veterinary Command, 31 March 2003, a special FREC met via telecom at 1400 CDT 14 April 2003.

a. Members Present:

LTC(P) Huck	VETCOM	Chairman
COL Cates	100th Med Det	Member
COL Fournier	DLA	Member
COL Hoskins	AMEDD C&S	Member
COL Kelsey	VETCOM	Member
COL Proctor	DSCP	Member
COL Severin	DODVSA	Member
COL Taylor	106th Med Det	Member
COL Wolken	DeCA	Member
LTC Schuckebrock	AAFES	Member
LTC Whippo	NAVSUP	Member
CW5 Jordan	VETCOM	Member
Mr. McNeil	USA CHPPM	Member
Mr. Odette	Nav Env Hlth Ctr	Member

b. Members Absent:

Col Van Hook	USAF OTSG	Member
MAJ Williamson	46th Med Det	Member

c. Others Present:

COL Cornwell	HQ CENTCOM	46th Med Det Rep
Lt Killenbeck	Nav Env Hlth Ctr	Observer
HM2 Boman	Nav Env Hlth Ctr	Observer
Mr. Kilburn	VETCOM	Coordinator

2. Opening Remarks. LTC Huck explained the Chief of the Army Veterinary Corps had requested the FREC re-examine paragraph 4e of the 27 September 2001 FREC subject Cook-Chill. The issue is that of military operated cook-chill facilities being Directory listed. Directory listing of civilian cook-chill facilities is not an issue.

3. Business at Hand:

a. After a lengthy discussion, it was mutually agreed that control procedures during process and transportation are key elements to insure that minimum risks are obtained with this type product. It was also agreed that current regulations do not provide guidelines or authority

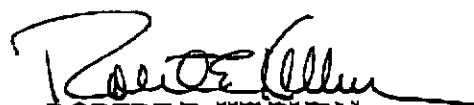
necessary to maintain control of a cook-chill product produced by a government agency supplying other government agencies. All members agreed that the basic food safety responsibility within the on-post government operated facility belongs to the local Preventive Medicine activity regardless of service. During the discussion, it became clear that paragraph 4e of the September 2001 FREC minutes would require modification to provide necessary food safety guidelines that would meet the needs of all services.

b. LTC(P) Huck summarized the suggestions provided by the committee: a) In order to standardize the food safety procedures and requirements, an Appendix specifically written within MIL-STD-3006A for Reduced Oxygen Packaged products will be formulated as soon as possible. All services would follow this Appendix regardless of ownership. b) Should the local Preventive Medicine (PM) unit, regardless of service, desire the assistance of the Veterinary Service (VS) for on-post operation, a memorandum of understanding (MOU) will be negotiated. c) Should a product be distributed off-post and a change in Service accountability occur, the facility will be Directory listed following all procedures outlined in AR 40-657 for commercial facilities to include a letter from the procurement agency obtaining possession of the product, requesting the initial sanitary audit. A MOU between PM and VS will be in place for all military operated cook-chill facilities which are Directory listed. COL Fournier abstained from voting. All other members voted to adopt the above procedures.

4. LTC(P) Huck adjourned the meeting at 1515, 14 April 2003.



LTC(P) LESLIE G. HUCK
Chairman



ROBERT E. KILBURN
Coordinator